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UTILITY PATENT APPLICATION TRANSMITTAL <small>Only for new nonprovisional applications under 37 CFR 1.53(b)</small>		Attorney Docket No.	P5663
		First Inventor	Scott D. Ritchie
		Title	AUTOMATED SERVICE SUPPORT OF SOFTWARE DISTRIBUTION IN A DISTRIBUTED COMPUTER NETWORK
		Express Mail Label No.	EL841973921US

APPLICATION ELEMENTS

Assistant Commissioner for Patents
Box Patent Application
Washington, DC 20231

- Fee Transmittal Form
(submit an original and a duplicate for fee processing)
- Applicant claims small entity status.
See 37 CFR 1.27
- Specification [total pages 37]
(preferred Arrangement set forth below)
 - Descriptive title of the Invention
 - Cross References to Related Applications
 - Statement Regarding Fed sponsored R&D
 - Reference to sequence listing, a table, or a computer program listing appendix
 - Background of the Invention
 - Brief Summary of the Invention
 - Brief Description of the Drawings
 - Detailed Description
 - Claim(s)
 - Abstract of the Disclosure
- Drawing(s) [total sheets 3]
- Oath or Declaration [total sheets 2]
 - a. Newly executed (original or copy)
 - b. Copy from prior appl. (37 C.F.R. § 1.63(d))
 - i. DELETION OF INVENTOR(S)
Signed statement attached deleting inventor(s) named in prior application, see 37 C.F.R. §§ 1.63(d)(2) and 1.33(b).
- If a **CONTINUING APPLICATION**, check appropriate box, and supply the requisite information below and in a preliminary amendment, or in an Application Data Sheet under 37 CFR 1.76:

<input type="checkbox"/> Continuation	<input type="checkbox"/> Divisional	<input type="checkbox"/> Continuation-in-part (CIP)	of prior application No.: _____ / _____
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- Prior application information: Examiner: _____ Group/Art Unit: _____
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17. If a **CONTINUING APPLICATION**, check appropriate box, and supply the requisite information below and in a preliminary amendment, or in an Application Data Sheet under 37 CFR 1.76:

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FOR CONTINUATION OR DIVISIONAL APPS only: The entire disclosure of the prior application, from which an oath or declaration is supplied under Box 5b, is considered a part of the disclosure of the accompanying continuation or divisional application and is hereby incorporated by reference. The incorporation can only be relied upon when a portion has been inadvertently omitted from the submitted application parts.

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Charge Any Additional Fee Required Under 37 CFR § 1.16 and 1.17
 Applicant claims small entity status.
 See 37 CFR 1.27

2. Payment Enclosed:

Check Money Order Other

FEE CALCULATION

1. BASIC FILING FEE

Large Entity Fee (\$)	Small Entity Fee (\$)	Fee Description	Fee Paid
710	355	Utility filing fee	710
320	160	Design filing fee	
490	245	Plant filing fee	
710	355	Reissue filing fee	
150	75	Provisional filing fee	
SUBTOTAL (1)			\$710

2. EXTRA CLAIM FEES

Total Claims	Independent Claims	Multiple Dependent	Extra Claims -20**=	Fee from below X 16	=	Fee Paid
27	4		7	16	=	126
			-3**=	1	X 80	= 80
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**or number previously paid, if greater. For Reissues, see below

Large Entity Fee Code (\$)	Small Entity Fee Code (\$)	Fee Description
103	18	203 9 Claims in excess of 20
102	80	202 40 Independent claims in excess of 3
104	270	204 135 Multiple dependent claim, if not paid
109	80	209 40 **Reissue independent claims over original patent
110	18	210 9 **Reissue claims in excess of 20 and over original patent
SUBTOTAL (2)		

\$206

FEE CALCULATION (continued)

3. ADDITIONAL FEES

Large Entity Fee (\$)	Small Entity Fee (\$)	Fee Description	Fee Paid
130	65	Surcharge – late filing fee or oath	
50	25	Surcharge – late provisional filing fee or cover sheet	
130	130	Non-English specification	
2,520	2,520	For filing a request for ex parte reexamination	
920*	920*	Requesting publication of SIR prior to Examiner action	
1,840*	1,840*	Requesting publication of SIR after Examiner action	
110	55	Extension for reply within first month	
390	195	Extension for reply within second month	
890	445	Extension for reply within third month	
1,390	695	Extension for reply within fourth month	
1,890	945	Extension for reply within fifth month	
310	155	Notice of Appeal	
310	155	Filing a brief in support of an appeal	
270	135	Request for oral hearing	
1,510	1,510	Petition to institute a public use proceeding	
110	55	Petition to revive – unavoidable	
1,240	620	Petition to revive – unintentional	
1,240	620	Utility issue fee (or reissue)	
440	220	Design issue fee	
600	300	Plant issue fee	
130	130	Petitions to the Commissioner	
50	50	Petitions related to provisional applications	
240	240	Submission of Information Disclosure Stmt	
40	40	Recording each patent assignment per property (times number of properties)	
710	355	Filing a submission after final rejection (37 CFR § 1.129(a))	
710	355	For each additional invention to be examined (37 CFR § 1.129(b))	
710	355	Request for Continued Examination	
		Request for expedited examination of a design application	
Other fee (specify)			

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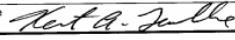
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\$40

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Sir:

The undersigned hereby certifies that the following documents:

1. Utility Patent Application Transmittal;
2. Fee Transmittal;
3. Utility Patent Application;
4. Executed Combined Declaration and Power of Attorney;
5. 3 sheets of drawings;
6. Recordation Form Cover Sheet PTO 1595 with Executed Assignment and Recording Fee of \$40.00;
7. Request and Certification Under 35 U.S.C. 122(b)(2)(B)(i);
8. Information Disclosure Statement, Form PTO-1449;
9. Photocopies of 5 references;
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**REQUEST AND CERTIFICATION
UNDER
35 U.S.C. 122(b)(2)(B)(i)**

First Named Inventor	Scott D. Ritchie
Title	Automated Service Support of Software Distribution In A Distributed Computer Network
Atty Docket Number	P5663

I hereby certify that the invention disclosed in the attached application **has not and will not be** the subject of an application filed in another country, or under a multilateral agreement, that requires publication at eighteen months after filing. I hereby request that the attached application not be published under 35 U.S.C. 122(b).

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Date

Signature

Kent A. Lembecke

Typed or printed name

This request must be signed in compliance with 37 CFR 1.33(b) and submitted with the application **upon filing**.

Applicant may rescind this nonpublication request at any time. If applicant rescinds a request that an application not be published under 35 U.S.C. 122(b), the application will be scheduled for publication at eighteen months from the earliest claimed filing date for which a benefit is claimed.

If applicant subsequently files an application directed to the invention disclosed in the attached application in another country, or under a multilateral international agreement, that requires publication of applications eighteen months after filing, the applicant **must** notify the United States Patent and Trademark Office of such filing within forty-five (45) days after the date of the filing of such foreign or international application. **Failure to do so will result in abandonment of this application (35 U.S.C. 122(b)(2)(B)(iii)).**

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